

man crew aboard, including Petty Officer Stuart. The crew was bound for battle over the Japanese-occupied South Pacific island of Peleliu. Shortly after takeoff, the aircraft was shot down by enemy fire, leaving no survivors. Although the wreckage of Petty Officer Stuart's aircraft was later recovered, he is still considered missing in action.

After 60 years, the family of Petty Officer Stuart continues its commitment to keeping his memory alive. I join their efforts by recognizing the bravery and sacrifice of this American hero.

#### CREDIBILITY GAP

(Mr. BOEHNER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, we are seeing a growing credibility gap here in Washington. Democrats are saying one thing and doing something else. It started with the trillion dollar stimulus plan that was rushed through with promises that it would create jobs immediately and keep unemployment below 8 percent. Today unemployment is near 10 percent, and Americans are still asking, "Where are the jobs?" Americans were also promised a war on deficits, but all that's happened is we have piled more debt on the backs of our kids and grandkids.

Then we have the trillion dollar government takeover of health care that was forced through with promises that it would lower costs. But it turns out the new law will actually increase costs for taxpayers and patients. This comes from an analysis by the Obama administration's Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. CMS determined that the new law will increase what the Nation spends on health care over the next 10 years by \$311 billion. The President claimed that this government takeover of health care was the single most important thing that we can do to address our deficits. But now it turns out it is just going to make matters worse.

Just think about that credibility gap when you see the majority insist on rushing through a job-killing regulatory bill with promises that it will end Wall Street bailouts. The bill doesn't end Wall Street bailouts; it makes them permanent and institutionalizes "too big to fail." This bill doesn't get the government out of the private sector; it creates a Politburo-style council of regulators who can seize any business and do almost anything they want to do with it. And the bill doesn't address the real reasons for the financial meltdown. It gives a free ride to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the government mortgage companies that started this crisis.

Americans were promised a new Washington. Instead, it's just more of the same: more spending, more government, and more empty promises. I think it's time we start listening to

the American people. Let's work together on commonsense solutions to end the bailouts, reform Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, and hold Wall Street accountable. Let's work together to repeal this government takeover of health care and replace it with commonsense reforms that will lower the cost of health care. Let's work to ban earmarks and stop out-of-control spending. And most importantly, let's work on commonsense solutions that will help small businesses create the kind of jobs that Americans are looking for.

#### SUPPORT THE SUMMITVILLE PROCUREMENT PROTECTION ACT OF 2010

(Mr. WILSON of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WILSON of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, this week I introduced the Summitville Procurement Protection Act of 2010. This legislation will improve the Federal subcontracting process.

Here is the problem: Federal Acquisition Regulation holds the government to transparent reporting standards as it hires prime contractors, but it does not hold those prime contractors to the same standards when they hire subs. This is a complete lack of oversight.

A company in my district, Summitville Tiles, was denied the opportunity to present a formal bid precisely because of this problem. My legislation would level the playing field and require that prime contractors meet five sections of the Federal Acquisition Regulation as they hire subs. I urge my colleagues to support this important legislation.

#### CMS REPORT

(Mr. CANTOR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CANTOR. At the start of the health care debate last year, President Obama made two critical promises. He assured the American people that his bill would, number one, lower costs, and that if they liked the coverage they had they could keep it. On the first count, an independent CMS report released last week states that health care costs will skyrocket under this bill by an astounding \$311 billion over the next 10 years. That's more than the previous estimate for each individual bill passed in the House and Senate.

And if you like what you have, you truly may not be able to keep it. Even care for our seniors is jeopardized. The CMS report warns that Medicare cuts may trigger a flight of hospitals and other health care providers from participation in Medicare. It also states that 50 percent of the seniors participating in Medicare Advantage are set to lose their coverage.

The American people deserve better, Mr. Speaker, and that's why we need to repeal the \$1 trillion government over-

haul of health care and replace it with a bill that makes lowering costs the first priority.

#### FEDERAL ACTION NEEDED ON IMMIGRATION

(Mr. POLIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss an important issue facing our country, and that's the issue of immigration. The lack of Federal action and the failure of the Federal Government to establish the rule of law has completely and utterly failed so severely that States are trying to take Federal law into their own hands.

On the right you have States like Arizona, which has passed a law that allows for racial and ethnic profiling. On the left you have States contending with whether they issue driver's licenses or in-state tuition to our growing undocumented population.

This is a Federal failure. It is our failure. Congress needs to act now. We should not have 10 million, 15 million, 20 million undocumented immigrants in our country. It strains law enforcement, undermines wages for our working families, and is a very real security threat.

I am a proud cosponsor of comprehensive immigration reform in the House. Bipartisan efforts are also underway in the Senate. I urge my colleagues to join me in demanding comprehensive immigration reform now.

#### REPEAL OBAMACARE

(Mr. PENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PENCE. Well, after months of debate and assurances that their government takeover of health care would actually result in lowering the cost of health care for Americans, the truth landed with a thud last Thursday. A new report from the Obama administration's own Medicare agency confirms what we have known all along: the President and congressional Democrats passed a health care law without any idea how to pay for it.

They promised to lower the cost of health care, but instead ObamaCare will send those costs soaring by \$311 billion. Again, this is from their own analysts within the administration. The same report says some of the ways Democrats set out to pay for the bill are unsustainable, and some of the methods they used to control costs are, quote, "negligible".

The reality is that we need to repeal ObamaCare and replace it with the kind of health care reform that will lower the cost of health care without growing the size of government. And House Republicans are determined to be on the side of the American people until we do just that.

## UNIVERSAL ACCREDITATION

(Mr. SIREs asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SIREs. Mr. Speaker, earlier this month we witnessed the tragedy of an inter-country adoption gone wrong when a 7-year-old boy was forced back, alone, to Russia. Last year over 12,000 children from around the world were adopted by American families, yet only a fraction of these adoptions were processed by accredited adoption agencies. The others occurred under an unregulated process that may not have the best interests of the families or the child in mind.

Just over 2 years ago, the United States became a full member of the Hague Convention on Inter-Country Adoption. Under the Convention, the United States requires that inter-country adoption service providers be accredited to improve transparency and accountability. Unfortunately, these rules only apply to adoptions from countries that have signed the Convention. Adoption agencies who work for non-Convention countries do not need to meet the accreditation requirements, and these agencies continue to conduct unregulated adoptions, creating a double standard for the treatment of children and families.

We must strengthen the adoption practices by requiring accreditation for all countries' adoption service providers. Universal accreditation will create an adoption process that is lawful, safe for the child, and respectful to the families involved.

## CMS CHIEF ACTUARY'S ANALYSIS ON EFFECTS OF THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

(Mr. WALDEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, the Speaker of the House told the National Association of Counties a while back that Congress needed to pass the health care bill so we could find out what's in it. Well, we are finding out now.

The Chief Actuary for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is the independent scorekeeper of legislation like this. Their report that they just issued said half of all seniors in America who are on Medicare Advantage plans, half, are going to lose that coverage under the bill that was signed into law.

Well, that's a big problem for seniors in Oregon. Oregon has had one of the highest penetration rates in the United States of seniors who wanted Medicare Advantage and signed up for it. I was out in Ontario, Oregon, not long ago, and the seniors there raised their hands and said, "Why are they taking away the Medicare Advantage I have?" We now know under this independent

evaluation half of them will lose that care, 38,000 seniors in my district alone.

We need to repeal and replace this law that was jammed through this Congress, Mr. Speaker.

## COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM

(Mr. BACA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BACA. Yesterday I urged all Americans to boycott the State of Arizona until this law is repealed. This law is unjust. It will only lead to the increase of racial profiling and hate crimes in the State, especially towards Hispanics.

This is a violation of the fourth and 14th amendment in the United States Constitution. It does not require local police officers to have a warrant. This new law will create a divide between people who are asked for legal documents and those who are not. This law will create distrust between police and the communities they protect. This law is backwards, and sets us back in time.

I urge Americans show their support of the boycott and wear a red, yellow, and blue wristband. This is an unjust law and must be overturned, and an example of why we need comprehensive immigration reform.

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## THE DEBATE OVER HEALTH CARE REFORM IS ALIVE AND WELL

(Mr. DREIER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, while some may believe that the debate over health care is behind us, the report that we received last week, which stated very clearly that this administration had determined that we would see a \$311 billion increase—increase—in health care costs over the next decade, was completely counter to what we and the American people were promised. We were promised that there would, in fact, be savings. So I think that, with this report, it is very clear that the debate continues to be alive and well.

Mr. Speaker, we need to take a step-by-step approach, ensuring that people can have access to insurance products across State lines and ensuring that meaningful lawsuit abuse reform takes place. Small businesses should be able to come together to buy at lower rates. We should have pooling to deal with preexisting conditions, and we should expand medical savings accounts.

Those five things, Mr. Speaker, will go a long way towards decreasing costs to ensure that every American will have access to quality, affordable health insurance.

## SUPPORT WALL STREET REFORM

(Ms. HIRONO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. Speaker, we need Wall Street reform. The collapse in the value of securities as a result of Wall Street's conduct caused our Nation's economic crisis. While Americans struggle to find work and to pay their mortgages, Wall Street continues to pay huge bonuses and to focus only on their profits.

Janet Orcutt of Kailua, Oahu, shared her story with me recently. Last August, Janet's son-in-law lost his job in this bad economy. This led to her daughter and son-in-law losing their home. Now her daughter, son-in-law, and 5-year-old grandson live with Janet and her two teenage children. With everyone living with them, Janet and her husband have had additional costs, which they charge to their credit cards. Each month, they fall farther behind.

Janet said, "We middle-income Americans are suffering while powerful Wall Street financial companies lobby against financial reform."

I share Janet's anger. Without reform, the current system will continue to harm the well-being of families like Janet's. The House has passed Wall Street reform. It is high time that the Senate does likewise.

## THE NEW HEALTH CARE LAW FAILS ON ALL COUNTS

(Mr. CARTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, remember when we were told the whole point of the new health care bill was to lower health care costs and to insure all Americans? Well, the CMS, under the control of the Obama administration, estimates that the law fails on all counts.

Twenty million Americans who currently can't afford health care will be forced under duress to buy a product or will face fines in IRS action. Four million Americans still will not be able to buy health insurance, and they will pay \$33 billion in fines. Fourteen million will lose their employer-sponsored health care insurance. Twenty-three million Americans will still have no health care coverage in 2019. Twenty-one percent of the gross domestic product will be spent on health care after this law is implemented, which is much higher than if the Congress had done nothing.

You have to wonder: When did we know all of this, and why didn't we know about it before the vote was taken?

## THE CONE OF SILENCE

(Mr. INSLEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1